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SUBJECT: VISIT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
ADMINISTRATOR COSTLE

1. FOLLOWING CCMS PLENARY IN BRUSSELS EPA ADMINISTRATOR DOUGLAS M. COSTLE WOULD LIKE TO VISIT ATHENS OCTOBER 19-20 FOR DISCUSSIONS WITH APPROPRIATE GOG OFFICIALS ON CCMS PROGRAM AND DEVELOPMENT OF BILATERAL CONTACTS AND ACTIVITIES. COSTLE WOULD BE ACCOMPANIED BY DAVID H. STROTHER, EPA'S EUROPEAN PROGRAM MANAGER, AND PAUL VON WARD, US CCMS COORDINATOR.

2. COSTLE AND STROTHER WOULD ARRIVE ATHENS THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19 AT 6:20 P.M. FROM ROME ON OLYMPIC FLIGHT 236.  
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WARD WOULD ARRIVE SEPARATELY THE SAME DAY FROM BRUSSELS. IF EMBASSY DESIRES OR GOG WISH TO HOST DINNER EVENING OF 19TH, ADMINISTRATOR COSTLE COULD MEET AND TALK WITH LEADING OFFICIALS.

3. FOR FRIDAY, REQUEST EMBASSY SCHEDULE FULL DAY OF TALKS WITH OFFICIALS OF APPROPRIATE MINISTRIES AND ORGANIZATIONS

(INCLUDING ENVIRONMENTAL AND RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT UNITS

OF MINISTRY OF COORDINATION). THESE TALKS WOULD INCLUDE BOTH CCMS-RELATED ISSUES AND DEVELOPMENT OF CLOSER EPA-GREEK LINKS IN KEY AREAS SUCH AS CONTROL OF TOXIC SUBSTANCES, CONTROL OF AIR AND WATER POLLUTION, STUDY OF POLLUTION-

INDUCED HEALTH EFFECTS, ETC.

4. AS INDICATED IN STROTHER/WARD CONVERSATION WITH EMBOFF BLACK OF AUGUST 16, ADMINISTRATOR WOULD LIKE TO LEAVE ATHENS LATE AFTERNOON FRIDAY FOR VISIT TO ISLAND, PROBABLY HYDRA. ADMINISTRATOR AND WARD PLAN TO LEAVE ATHENS SUNDAY OCTOBER 22 AT 9:30 A.M. FOR LONDON. STROTHER WILL REMAIN FOR WORKING-LEVEL TALKS ON MONDAY.

5. REQUEST EMBASSY CONFIRM ACCEPTABILITY OF VISIT AND PROVIDE AGENDA, NAMES OF OFFICIALS TO BE MET, AND AVAILABLE BIOGRAPHIC AND OTHER BACKGROUND INFORMATION WHEN AVAILABLE. CHRISTOPHER

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